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SPEED RACER...THE MOTION PICTURE!

Guess who's been reading your letters in SPEED READERS? None other than the Producer of the SPEED RACER movie himself!

That's right NOW fans, your letters have sparked a little interest in Hollywood!

In a long and pleasant conversation, The Producer (I promised to keep his name a secret as yet), mentioned how intrigued he was with all the letters about SPEED RACER, esspecially the fans' recommendations for the stars of his live-action motion picture!

And all along you guys didn't think anyone was listening...?

He mentioned to me that he'd like to make this a top box-office hit, with effects and action like such movies as TOP GUN, and with big name stars! He wants to hear more from you! Who would YOU like to see be ***SPEED RACER? REX RACER? TRIXIE? POPS?*** Well, there comes a time in everyone's life when they can make a difference, and NOW fans...this is it! Let's not have a Michael Keaton (Starring as the Caped-Crusader in the upcoming BATMAN movie) on our hands, right?***SO WRITE!*** Pick up a pen, pencil, typewriter, word processor, or even a crayola! Get those recommendations in here!!

You have a voice that we want to hear from! I want to see a letter of recommendation from every single NOW FAN! Let's make a difference! Let's help in producing the coolest, hippest, totally awesome (?) movie to hit the big screen ever!!

The address is NOW COMICS, c/o SPEED READERS, 332 South Michigan Avenue, Suite 1540, Chicago, IL 60604.

And for those of you who haven't been following SPEED READERS, here are the fan favorites so far...

As SPEED RACER we have only three highly recommended stars from thousands of fans. They are Charlie Sheen, Tom Cruise, and Johnny Depp.

As POPS RACER we have only a few so far. They are Dick Butkus, Mike Ditka and William Conrad.

As MOM RACER we have Amanda Page, and Gates McFadden (Doctor Beverly Crusher, from STAR TREK, THE NEXT GENERATION)

As TRIXIE (Speed's girlfriend), we have as fan favorites so far, Alyssa Milano (of ABC's Who's The Boss?), Tracey Gold, and Valerie Bertinelli.

As RACER-X (A.K.A. Rex Racer), the fan favorites include Tom Cruise, Kyle Maclachlan, and George Michael(?).

As SPARKY (Speed's mechanic friend), fan favorites are Pee Wee Herman, and Dweeb Zappa.

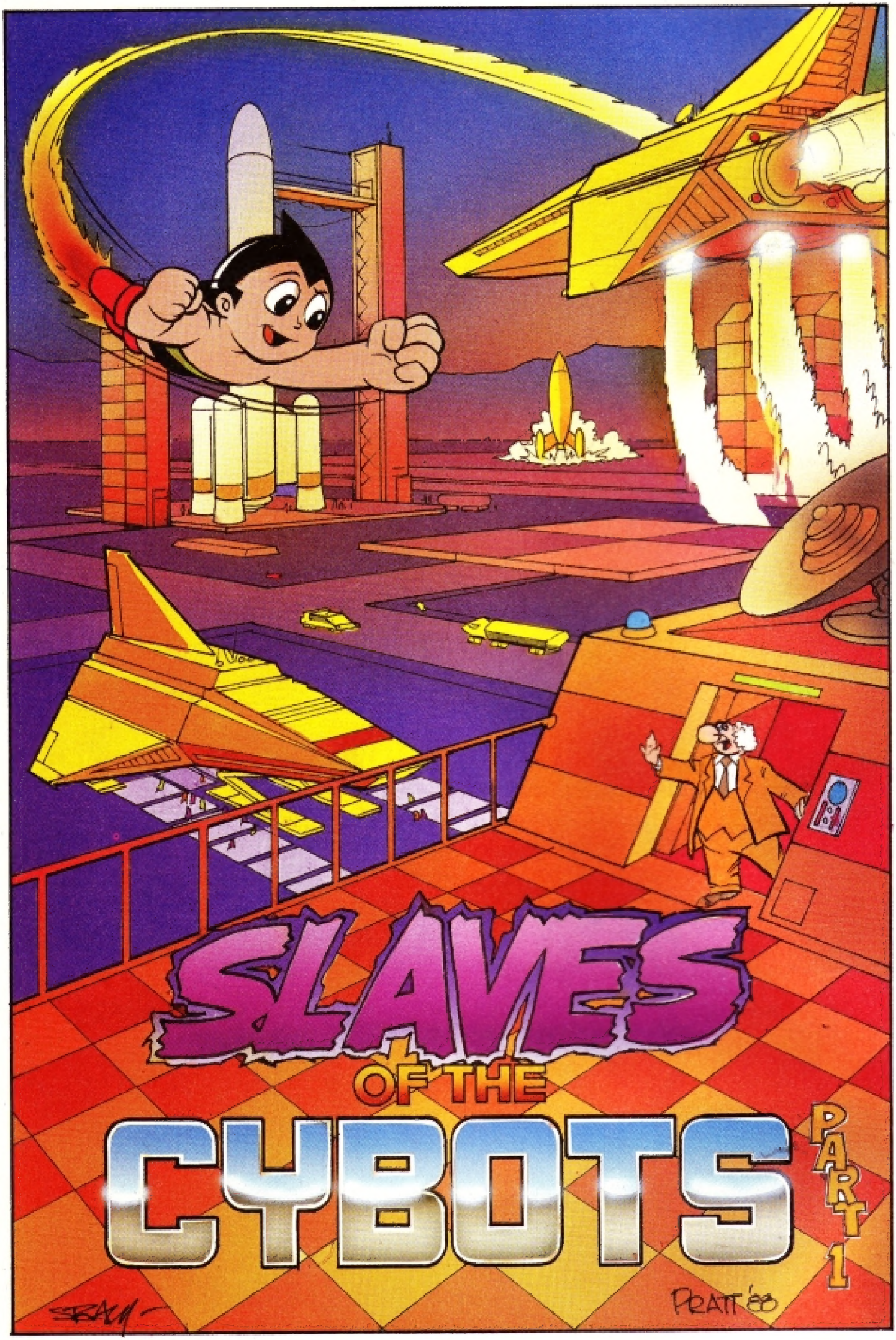
As far as Spridle (Speed's "chunky" younger brother), and his pet chimp CHIM-CHIM, we haven't had any recommendations.

Any fresh ideas? ***WE WANNA HEAR THEM!*** So WRITE, right NOW!

All letters will be passed along to the Producer! The future of SPEED RACER may be in YOUR hands!

Tony Caputo
Publisher
Editor in Chief

ARE YOU SURE IT'S NOT A MALFUNCTION OF SOME KIND ?
MAYBE THE TELEMETRY IS DOWN . . .
I'M AFRAID NOT DR. ELEFUN ——
——WE'VE DONE A COMPLETE SYSTEMS CHECK AND EVERYTHING ON THIS END IS A-OK!
I WAS TALKING TO CAPTAIN JOHNER ONE MINUTE, THEN PHHT, THE NEXT!
AND THAT WAS 24 HOURS AGO!
THIS IS THE SEVENTH PROBE WE'VE LOST IN THAT SECTOR— AND THE LAST TWO WERE LOOKING FOR THE FIRST FIVE!
WELL IT'S HIGH TIME WE USED OUR "ACE IN THE HOLE" ——
——HERE HE IS NOW!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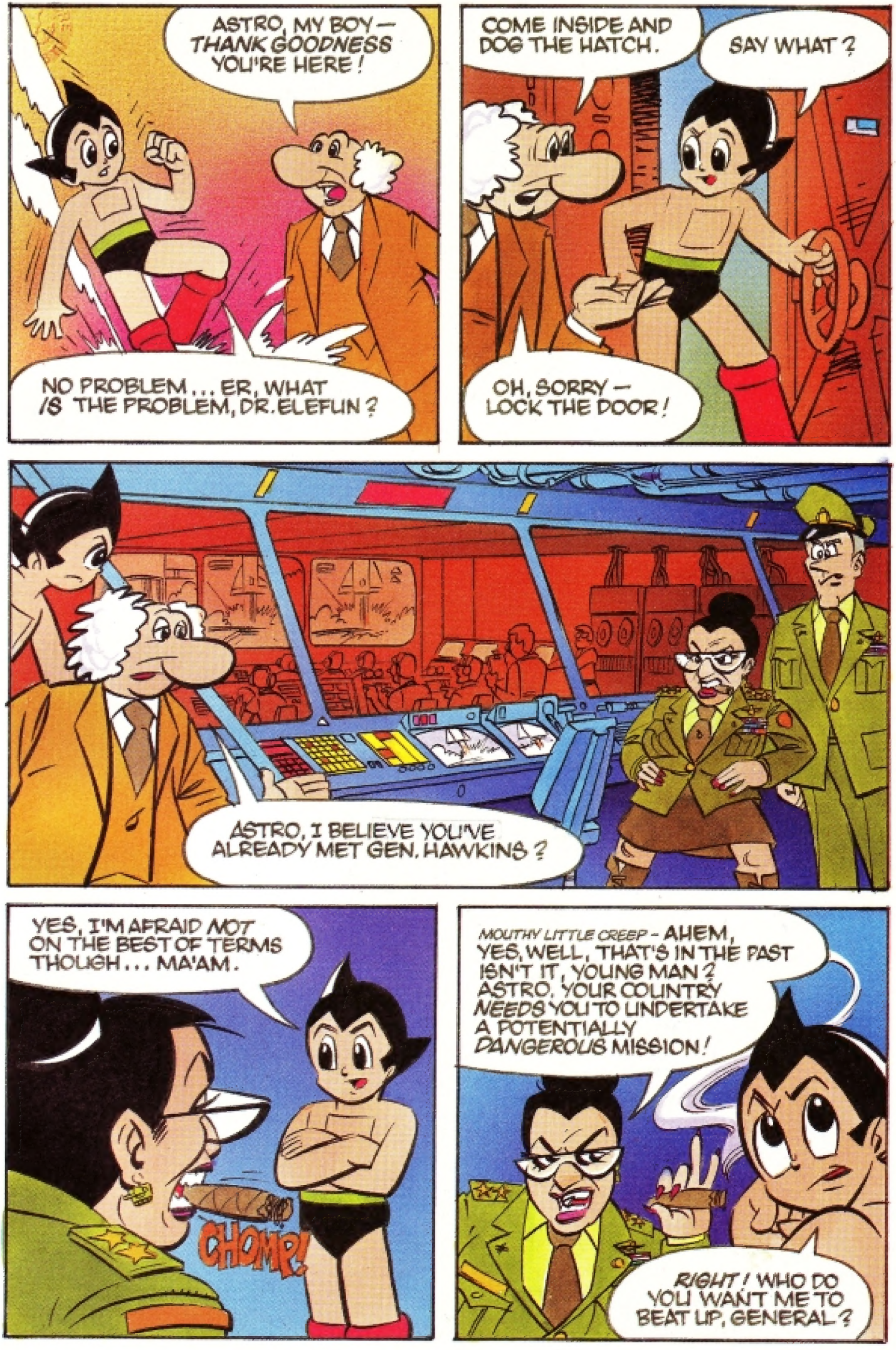
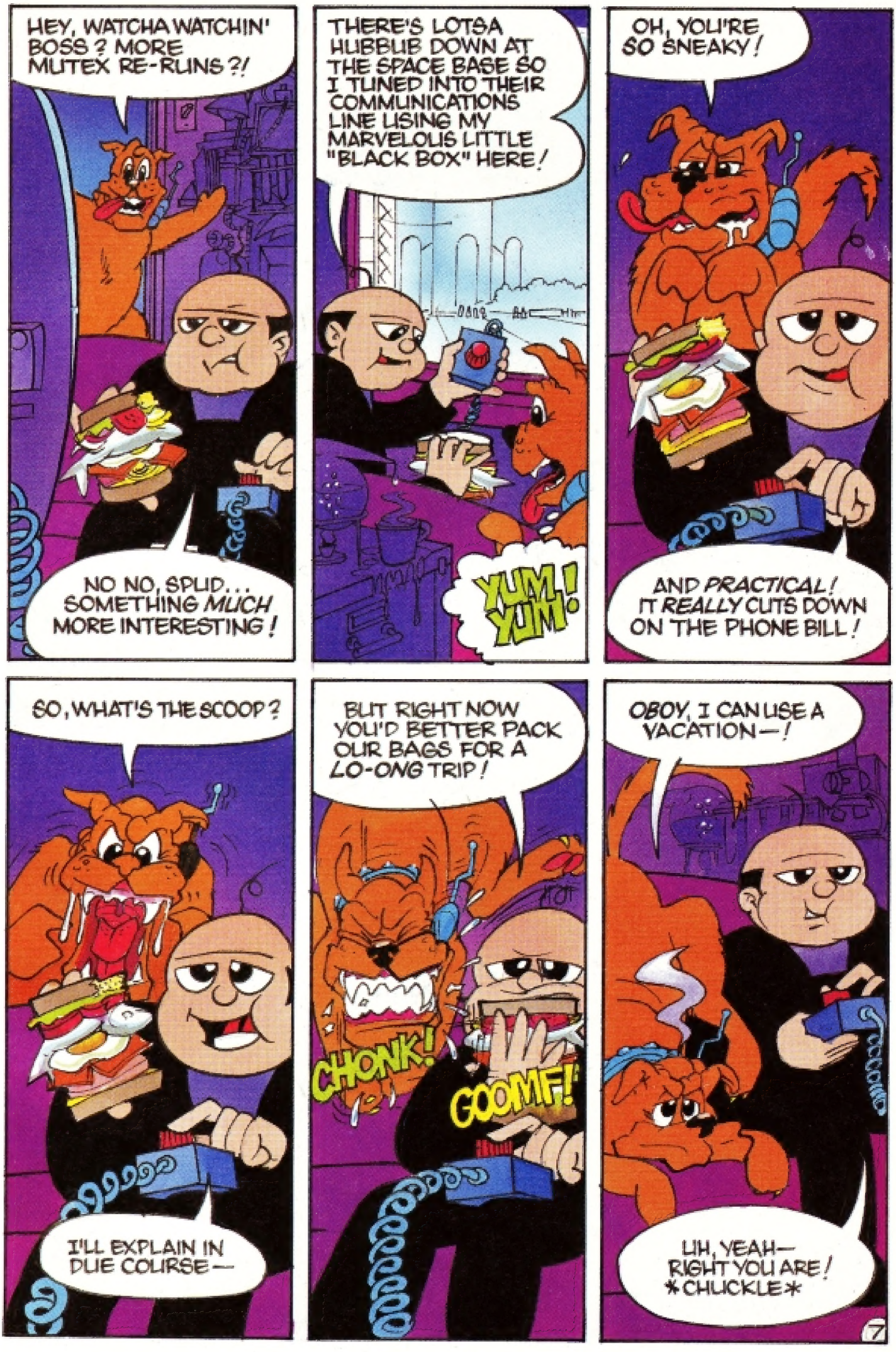

ASTRO, MY BOY— THANK GOODNESS YOU'RE HERE!
NO PROBLEM... ER, WHAT IS THE PROBLEM, DR. ELEFUN?
COME INSIDE AND DOG THE HATCH.
SAY WHAT?
OH, SORRY— LOCK THE DOOR!
ASTRO, I BELIEVE YOU'VE ALREADY MET GEN. HAWKINS?
YES, I'M AFRAID NOT ON THE BEST OF TERMS THOUGH... MA'AM.
CHOMP!
MOUTHY LITTLE CREEP - AHEM, YES, WELL, THAT'S IN THE PAST ISN'T IT, YOUNG MAN? ASTRO, YOUR COUNTRY NEEDS YOU TO UNDERTAKE A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS MISSION!
RIGHT! WHO DO YOU WANT ME TO BEAT UP, GENERAL?

WHAT THE –?! WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT––
THAT'S WHY YOU FUNDED ME, ISN'T IT?! SO I COULD GO AROUND DOING YOUR DIRTY WORK!
ASTRO, PLEASE! THERE ARE INNOCENT LIVES AT STAKE HERE– YOU CAN RESOLVE YOUR PHILOSOPHICAL DIFFERENCES WITH THE MILITARY AT A MORE OPPORTUNE MOMENT!
GRRR-MUTTER-GRIND!
NOW THEN– ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO WE LOST A NUMBER OF CARGO ROCKETS IN THIS SECTOR– WE SENT MANNED PROBES TO FIND OUT WHAT HAD HAPPENED TO THEM, BUT THEY TOO DISAPPEARED!
THEN WE WERE CALLED IN––
––BECAUSE WE SUSPECTED FOUL PLAY––
––LIKE PIRATES––
––OR HOSTILE ALIENS––
––OR MONSTERS, HIDEOUS SLAVERING MULTI-TENTACLED CREATURES THAT––

GENERAL, YOU'RE MAKING ME ILL —!
AH, YER A WIMP! WE WENT IN THERE ARMED TO THE TEETH, READY FOR WHATEVER THOSE ALIEN GEEKS COULD THROW AT US!
AND THAT MISSION VANISHED TOO— JUST 24 HOURS AGO!
SWIT
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY
SHOCK!
IT DID NOT VANISH—
THEY'RE UH, ER, PROBABLY JUST, Y'KNOW, UH, MAINTAINING RADIO SILENCE FOR SECURITY PURPOSES --
--YEAH, THAT'S THE TICKET!
OKAY, OKAY— I THINK I GET THE PICTURE— I SUPPOSE YOU WANT ME TO GO AFTER THEM, RIGHT?!
YOU MAY CONSIDER IT A DIRECT ORDER, PAL!
GENERAL, IF I GO, IT'S IN THE INTEREST OF SAVING LIVES! IF YOUR PEOPLE WENT IN AS AGGRESSIVELY AS YOU SAY, THEY PROBABLY GOT JUST WHAT THEY DESERVED!
WHY, YOU—!
THAT'S ENOUGH! BOTH OF YOU— PLEASE!

AWRIGHT, AWRIGHT!
BUT LISTEN UP, YOU TWO... I WANNA KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO MY BOYS OUT THERE!
GENERAL, WE ALL WANT TO KNOW THAT—
YEAH, BUT I WANT TO KNOW SO WE CAN PREPARE THE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE— UNDERSTAND ?!?
WHAK!
KLAM!
RUM! RUM! VARUM RUM! RUM! VA
ZIP!
ONLY TOO WELL, I'M AFRAID!
WELL, MY BOY— THE SHIP WILL BE READY TOMORROW MORNING!
VA-VA-VA-VROOM!
OKAY, DR. ELEFUN. SEE YOU THEN!


HEY, WATCHA WATCHIN' BOSS? MORE MUTEX RE-RUNS?!
NO NO, SPUD... SOMETHING *MUCH* MORE INTERESTING!
THERE'S LOTSA HUBBUB DOWN AT THE SPACE BASE SO I TUNED INTO THEIR COMMUNICATIONS LINE USING MY MARVELOUS LITTLE "BLACK BOX" HERE!
YUM YUM!
OH, YOU'RE SO SNEAKY!
AND *PRACTICAL*! IT *REALLY* CUTS DOWN ON THE PHONE BILL!
SO, WHAT'S THE SCOOP?
I'LL EXPLAIN IN DUE COURSE—
BUT RIGHT NOW YOU'D BETTER PACK OUR BAGS FOR A *LO-ONG* TRIP!
CHONK!
GOOMF!
OBOY, I CAN USE A VACATION—!
UH, YEAH— RIGHT YOU ARE! *CHUCKLE*
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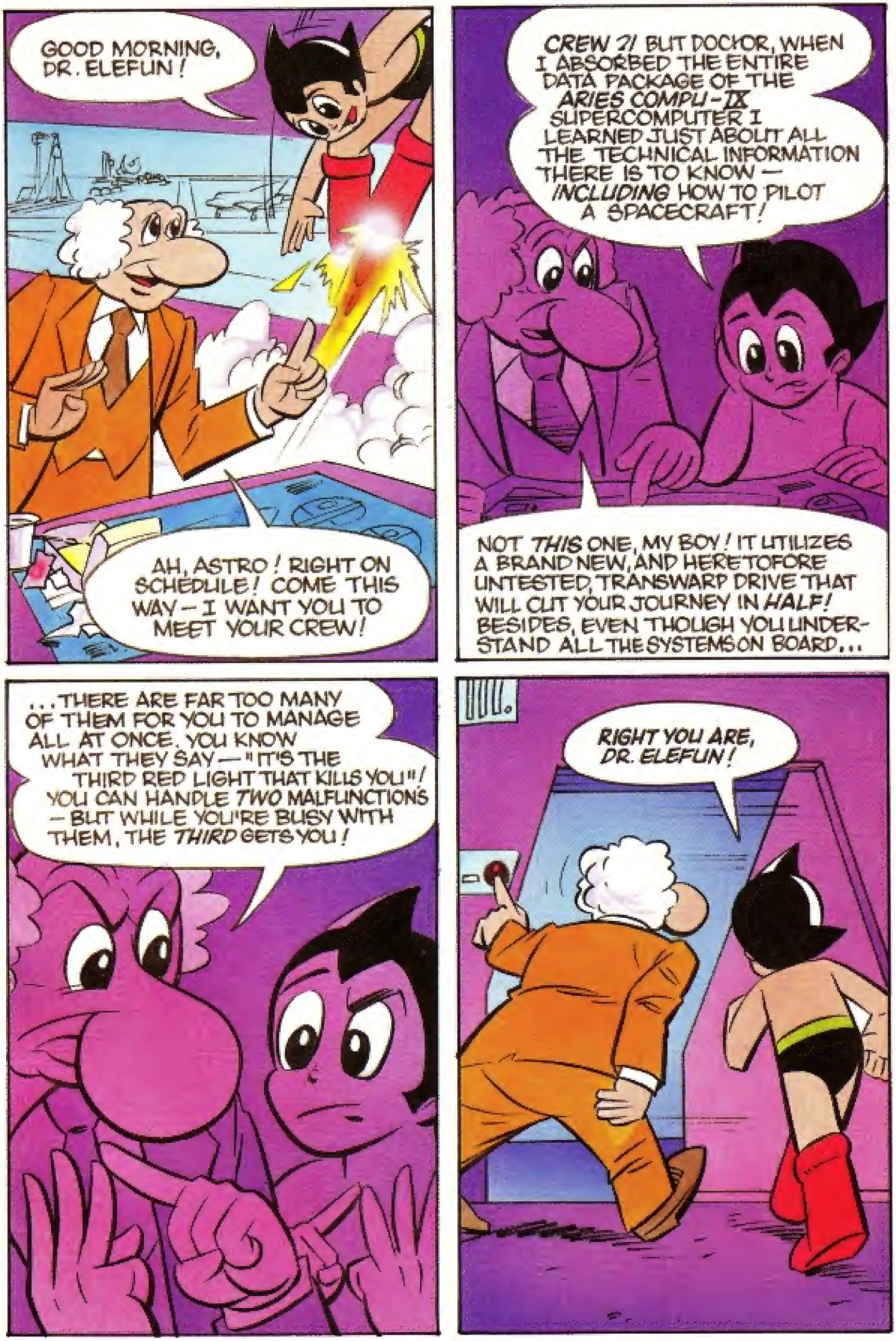
YOU'RE GOING TO OUTER SPACE ?! WOW! THAT'S THE COOLEST!!
CAN I GO TOO ?! HUH ?! CAN I - CAN I - CAN I - PRETTY PLEASE - ?!
UH, I'M AFRAID NOT SIS - THIS COULD BE VERY DANGEROUS --
OH, AND I SUPPOSE IT'S BECAUSE I'M "JUST A LITTLE GIRL", HUH ?! WELL LISTEN, MR. BIG MACHO CREEP --
-- ASTRO GIRL, THAT'S UNFAIR AND YOU KNOW IT. IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH SIZE OR GENDER - BESIDES, THE DECISION ISN'T ASTRO'S AT ALL --
BUT - BUT - !
YOUR MOTHER IS RIGHT, DEAR. WE'D ALL LIKE TO GO, BUT IT JUST ISN'T POSSIBLE. NOW, SON - LET'S GET YOU READY --
HMPH! IF ANYONE WANTS ME I'LL BE IN MY ROOM, SULKING!
WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT!


GOOD MORNING, DR. ELEFUN!
AH, ASTRO! RIGHT ON SCHEDULE! COME THIS WAY – I WANT YOU TO MEET YOUR CREW!
CREW?! BUT DOCTOR, WHEN I ABSORBED THE ENTIRE DATA PACKAGE OF THE ARIES COMPU-IX SUPERCOMPUTER I LEARNED JUST ABOUT ALL THE TECHNICAL INFORMATION THERE IS TO KNOW – INCLUDING HOW TO PILOT A SPACECRAFT!
NOT THIS ONE, MY BOY! IT UTILIZES A BRAND NEW, AND HERETOFORE UNTESTED, TRANSWARP DRIVE THAT WILL CUT YOUR JOURNEY IN HALF! BESIDES, EVEN THOUGH YOU UNDERSTAND ALL THE SYSTEMS ON BOARD...
...THERE ARE FAR TOO MANY OF THEM FOR YOU TO MANAGE ALL AT ONCE. YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY – "IT'S THE THIRD RED LIGHT THAT KILLS YOU"! YOU CAN HANDLE TWO MALFUNCTIONS – BUT WHILE YOU'RE BUSY WITH THEM, THE THIRD GETS YOU!
RIGHT YOU ARE, DR. ELEFUN!

ASTRO, THIS IS ED, THE HAPPY CLONE!
HOWDY-DO, ASTRO! I'M ED —!
!?!
I'M JED!
I'M FRED!
I'M NED!
I'M RED!
I'M TED!
I'M MELVIN!
MELVIN ?!
UH, HE ALWAYS WANTED TO BE, Y'KNOW— DIFFERENT!
OH...!

EACH OF US HAS A SPECIFIC FUNCTION ON BOARD AND WE WORK LIKE A WELL-OILED MACHINE, LET ME ASSURE YOU! I'M THE PILOT!
FRED IS THE CO-PILOT!
NED HANDLES COMMUNICATIONS...
TED-WEAPONS...
JED IS OUR NAVIGATOR...
RED IS THE ENGINEER...
AND MELVIN — HE LOOKS AFTER THE, UH, ODD JOBS, Y'KNOW LIKE MAINTENANCE!
WELL, I AM IMPRESSED, GENTLEMEN! IT WILL BE A PLEASURE AND A PRIVILEGE TO COMMAND THIS MISSION!
NOW, ASTRO, I'M AFRAID THERE'S A LITTLE FORMALITY WE MUST ENDURE BEFORE YOU GET UNDER WAY...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
WELL, SOMEONE LEAKED NEWS OF THE MISSION TO THE PRESS AND, WELL, THEY HAVE ARRANGED A KIND OF SEND-OFF FOR YOU!
UH-OH!

COME ON, ASTRO GIRL— WE'LL MISS THE CEREMONY!
UH, SURE... OOPS! I GUESS I FORGOT MY CAMERA IN THE CAR, I'LL BE RIGHT BACK!
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STORAGE 3
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL
LET'S SEE... YEAH! THIS CONTAINER IS JUST RIGHT! *GIGGLE*!!
UH-OH! SOMEONE IS COMING!
C'MON ANDY— THIS IS THE LAST ONE TO GO ONBOARD!
OKEY-DOKEY, KENNY!
HEY, PAL— GOT A LIGHT?
NO, GOT A SOCKET?
HAR HAR! HAHAHAR!
HAR! HAR!
PSSHHT!
HAK! OCK! CHOKE!
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SWEET DREAMS, BOYS!
WHUD!
THUD!
C'MON SPUD — GRAB YOUR END OF THAT CONTAINER AND LET'S GET ABOARD!
YEZZBOZZ!
FLABA DAP!
GEE, BOSS, I KNOW YOU LIKE TO TRAVEL ECONOMY, BUT THIS IS RIDICULOUS!
WHERE WE GOIN' ANYHOW?
TO THE EDGE OF THE KNOWN UNIVERSE, OLD PAINT!
!?
HA, FOR A MINUTE THERE I THOUGHT YOU SAID "THE EDGE OF THE UNIVERSE"! WHAT A CARD!

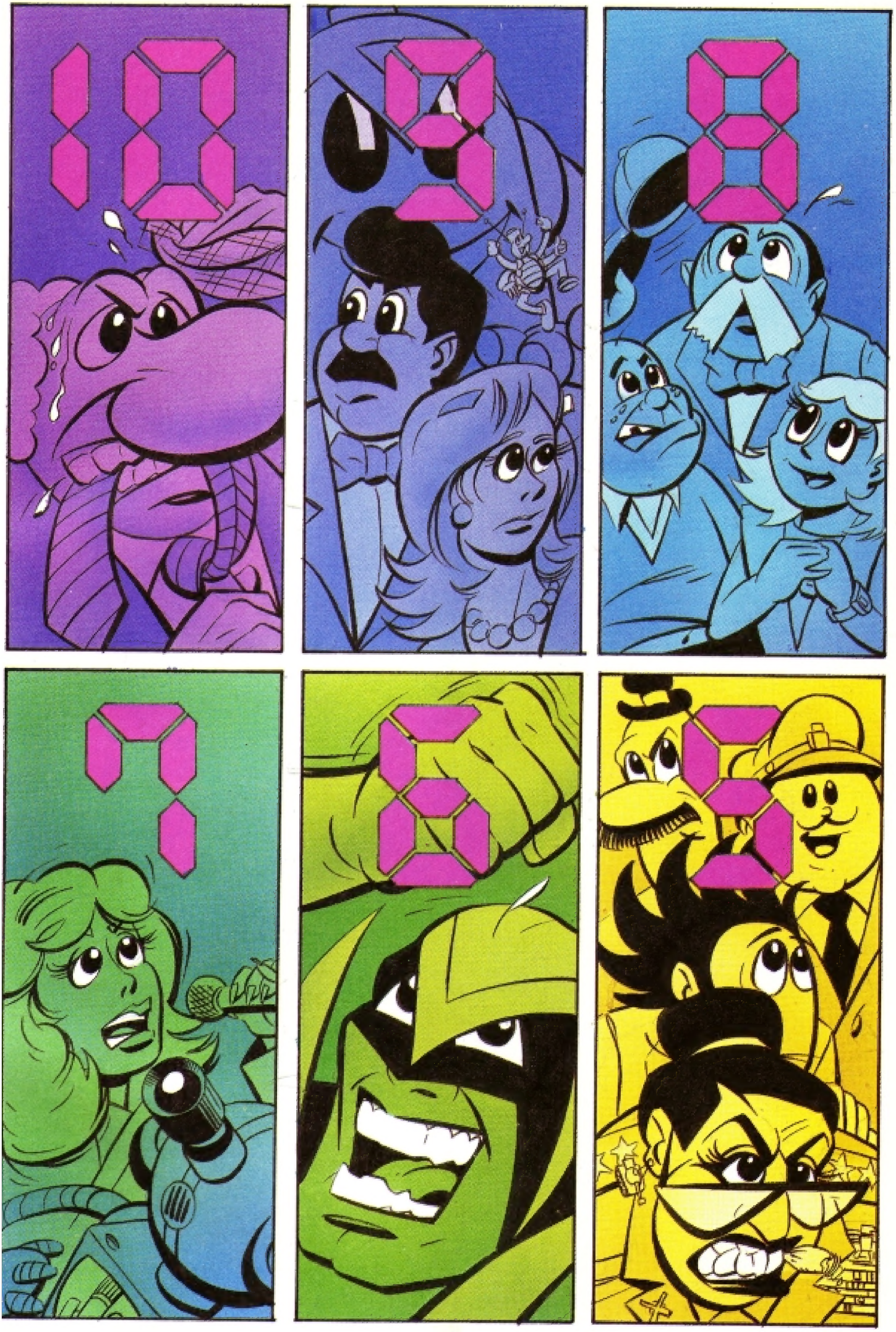
WELL, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THIS IS INDEED AN *AUSPICIOUS* OCCASION! THE WORLD SCIENCE COUNCIL IS EMBARKING UPON A *TOP SECRET* VENTURE TO DETERMINE *WHAT* HAS HAPPENED TO THOSE MISSING MISSIONS...
...*INCLUDING* A HEAVILY ARMED MILITARY DREADNOUGHT THAT APPEARS TO HAVE SUFFERED THE *SAME* FATE AS -- JUST A MOMENT -- *YES!* OUR REPORT HAS BEEN SUBSTANTIATED - THE COMMANDER OF THIS MISSION IS NONE OTHER THAN — *ASTRO BOY!*
ER, HI, BARBRA.
PSSST! SAY, I THOUGHT THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A BIG SECRET!
SORRY, ASTRO, BUT YOU KNOW THE PRESS!
ASTRO, COULD YOU SAY A FEW WORDS FOR OUR VIEWERS PLEASE? WHAT DO YOU EXPECT TO FIND OUT THERE IN THE VAST TRACKLESS DEPTHS OF INTERSTELLER NOTHINGNESS THAT YOU'RE HEADING FOR?!
WELL, *GEE*... I HOPE WE'LL FIND ALL THOSE SPACEMEN OKAY, AND, UH, WELL...

THAT'S FINE, MY BOY! NO MORE QUESTIONS!
ASTRO, I HAVE CONDENSED THE NEXT FEW WEEKS HOMEWORK ONTO THIS MICROTAPE FOR YOU —
I EXPECT THESE EXERCISES TO BE DONE BY YOUR RETURN, YOUNG MAN!
YES, SIR. THANK YOU MR. POMPUS!
WE'RE SURE GONNA MISS YOU, ASTRO — HERE'S SOMETHING TO REMIND YOU OF EARTH!
YEAH, AND YOU BETTER TAKE MY LUCKY CAN OPENER, TOO, PAL!
GOSH, THANKS ARCHIE — AND THANK YOU, KRYSTAL!
TAKE CARE, SON — — ALL OUR LOVE. I'M AFRAID YOUR SISTER FORGOT SOMETHING - I GUESS SHE'LL MISS YOU!
DARN! GIVE HER A HUG FOR ME, OKAY?
HEY, ASTRO! GO FOR IT, EH?!
YOU BET, MUTEX!
SEE YOU SOON!
YAY!!

NOW LISTEN, ASTRO — YOUR COURSE IS ALREADY PRE-PROGRAMMED INTO THE NAVIGATIONAL COMPUTER. THOUGH WE *DON'T* KNOW EXACTLY *WHAT* YOU'LL FIND WE DO HAVE *STRONG* SUSPICIONS...
YES ?
REMEMBER MANY YEARS AGO, A BAND OF RENEGADE *CYBOTS* FLED FROM PERSECUTION HERE ON EARTH? WELL, THEY HEADED FOR THE *VERY* AREA THAT IS YOUR DESTINATION — BUT WERE *NEVER* HEARD OF AGAIN! WE'RE AFRAID THAT *THEY* MAY BE THE SOURCE OF THIS TROUBLE...
...IF *THAT* IS TRUE, THEN YOU'LL HAVE TO BE VERY CAREFUL. WE HAVE *NO* IDEA WHAT THEY'RE CAPABLE OF!
GOSH, THIS COULD GET *ROUGH*! Y'KNOW, DOCTOR... *I'M* A CYBOT TOO!
I *KNOW* MY BOY —
— WHICH IS PRECISELY WHY *YOU* WERE CHOSEN FOR THIS DANGEROUS MISSION. *YOU* MAY BE THE *ONLY ONE* THEY'LL LISTEN TO!
I *WON'T* FAIL YOU, DOCTOR!
THANK YOU, ASTRO! *GOOD LUCK!*

PSSST!
TO SHIP
WHO — ?!
JUST A FRIEND! I HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU!
THAT VOICE! ...CAN IT BE — ?!
YES, ASTRO, IT'S ME!
DR. BOYNTON! OH, THERE'S SO MUCH I WANT TO ASK YOU! —
NO TIME NOW, YOU MUST LEAVE... BUT TAKE THIS — IT'S A TRILITHIUM MINICELL. I'LL HOOK IT TO YOUR EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY — IF ANYTHING GOES WRONG WITH YOUR BATTERY, THIS'LL KICK IN AUTOMATICALLY!
WOW, THAT'S GREAT!
WAIT! IT CONTAINS A SUFFICIENT CHARGE FOR ONLY 60 SECONDS OF USE, BUT WILL TRIPLE YOUR POWER FOR THAT TIME — ANY LONGER WOULD FUSE YOUR CIRCUITS!
FIRE EXIT
THANK YOU, DR. BOYNTON — WHEN I GET BACK —
YES, I KNOW... REMEMBER, ONLY 60 SECONDS!

AIRLOCK
TEE HEE ! OOPS, THERE'S ASTRO! BOY, WON'T HE BE SUPRISED!
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
HEY, SPUD, DID YOU HEAR A VOICE ?
ALL I CAN HEAR IS MY HEART TRYIN' TO BEAT IT'S WAY THROUGH MY CHEST! I CAN'T BELIEVE YER ACTUALLY SERIOUS ABOUT DIS TRIP, BOSS—!
PIECE-A-CAKE! NOW SHHHH!! WE DON'T WANNA BLOW OUR COVER BEFORE TAKE OFF !!
OKAY, ED, ALL SET!?
READY, WILLING AND ABLE, COMMANDER ASTRO! BETTER STRAP IN!
THAT'S NOT NECESSARY— I CAN WITHSTAND THE G-FORCES NO PROBLEM!
RIGHT THEN ! STAND BY FOR FINAL COUNTDOWN!!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BLASTOFF!
...AND SO THE COURAGEOUS LITTLE 'BOT AND HIS CLONE CREW HEAD FOR WHO-KNOW-WHAT OUT THERE!! WHAT EVER YOU DO, WHERE EVER YOU GO, DON'T DARE MISS OUR NEXT STARTLING ISSUE!!

ASTRO FANS!

Hey, Astro Fans, I have a surprise for you. This month in the back of your SPEED RACER #17 issue, there is a six page ASTRO BOY back-up story. So, go pick one up and check it out!

Dear NOW,

#14 of Astro Boy was great. Although, I must admit, it was a bit too soon to learn who Agent R was. And why Lance of all people? I mean I realize he and Elmer never got along, but why make trouble for the poor guy?

Aside from that I like Astro's sister, Astro Girl. She's so adorable, and the story of T Wrecks from pages 15 to 25 had the most fantastic art I've ever seen. Bravo! Bravo!

I don't need to tell you you're doing a spectacular job. You already know it. And this month's SPEED RACER and THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS were cool, too.

Steven Acevedo
Bronx, NY

Dear Steven--You are one of our most avid fans and certainly our most prolific letter writer. This means that you most definitely must tell us how well we're doing. It's your calling in life, and if it weren't for letter writers like yourself, we wouldn never know...She's cute as a button, ain't she?

Dear Guys,

Issue #14 of 'Stro Boy was really great. I liked the addition of the story book. It was a nice change of pace from Ken's artwork; it was the same yet different. Did Andrew work on that section? Or was it all Ken's work? The rest of the book was nice. (Great job on the dinosaurs guys) I think that Ken is doing a great job on the story aspect of the book, as well as the artwork. I hope that he is able to do both for awhile.

Does the girl holding Astro's hand mean that he is going to have a girlfriend now? The rest of the story was pretty good. Does this issue mean that we have to guess the identity of the "Phantom of the Institute?"

Astro Girl? What is this? Are we going to have adventures with her now or what? Just by seeing the end of this issue, I know that she is going to be involved with the aliens.

The artwork, as usual, was great. I really like the way that the purples, browns, and blues are used on each page. It is so much different than the Big Two's artwork and style. Keep it up. It doesn't distract from the story or art itself at all. (Page 10 and 13 for example)

Well keep up the good work. (Don't you just hare my endings? That's the only one I can think of.)

Yours,
Galen West

My lips are sealed, Galen. It is written very clearly in my job description, that I am to give away no secrets of future issues. Or, the stories are entirely up to Ken Steacy, and I don't have the answers until I receive the book. Or, I enjoy seeing people consumed with curiosity and plagued with anticipation.

Dear Editor,

Just a note to add my thanks to those of other readers, who enjoy nthe found memories that this new Astro Boy brings, of all the Japanese cartoons of the 60's.

I'm glad your book is available for my children to enjoy. But I

wish the cartoons were available as well. I hope that you will print this request so that any of your readers who have access to these cartoons on video cassettes, will correspond with me.

Thank you,
WW
3399 Buford Highway #U6
Atlanta, GA
30329

I am printing your letter, because I know that there is a great demand for just such a thing. I too would like to see Astro Boy videos, and I would like to help generate action. I can make no promises, but it is possible that NOW Comics might just be able to fulfill this demand. There have been whispers, but as you know business includes a lot of negotiations, paperwork, and just plain waiting. It is my hope that positive response from our fans might speed up the process.

Dear NOW,
I love Astro Boy! I was at a flea market recently and got a few issues! I loved them! (I'm sure you know that by my use of exclamation points). The series has better Japanimation than Comico's Robotech and that's hard to beat. I love the innocence and humor in the dialogue, plot, etc. I'm glad that NOW is now in supermarketsw, convenience stores. Now it's a lot more convenient. Thanks NOW! Anyway, concerning the most recent issue #12, it was good,but to think battery packs are a bad move for Astro. They depleted much too quickly. Please find a better solution, quickly. I'd like to request more of Astro's classmates, especially Kristal Kleer.

Sincerely,
Matt Williams
11682 N. Birch Dr.
Thornton, CO
80233

Dear NOW Comics,
I am only eleven, and I have tried to keep up with your comics as much as I can. I just recently bought your comic Astro Boy, and it's truly wonderful. And it's very colorful, not like other comic books. A lot of them are very dull.

A Big Fan,
John Wright
1004 Eastern Ave.
Schenectady, NY
12306

John, if you only knew how letters like yours make me feel. You make it all worthwhile, and you've definitely made my day. Thanks, from your buddy Katherine and all your friends at NOW Comics.

Dear Whomever,
I went to Thrifty's and saw ASTRO BOY II and SPEED RACER 12. I was going to buy them but didn't (it was the evil spirit of a demon that possessed me momentarily. Yeah, really!) I saw ASTRO BOY again and bought it. It was adventurous, but innocent. I loved it. The next day, I couldn't find SPEED RACER anywhere. So, I went to the place where I first saw it and made the purchase. I read it. I'm speechless.

I have over a thousand comics. And these two jolted me enough to write. I love Japanese animation (and other Japanese comics, books, ets.), but these two were presented more unchanged. Keep up the great job. Thanks for your time and for letting me babble.

Your Satisfied Reader,
John Mendez

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S ASTRO-FUN

NEXT ISSUE:

ASTRO IN SPACE!